State Plan Reference Documents

The agencies providing services covered under this Refugee Resettlement Program State Plan use three primary guidance documents in the provision of services to refugees. This State Plan references them frequently. They are:

- 1. The Virginia Refugee Resettlement Program Manual (ONS Program Manual) sets out the rules by which Virginia's public assistance program staff determine a refugee's eligibility for food stamps, Medicaid, cash and medical assistance, and foster care. The program manual is based on the regulations set out in 45 CFR 400-402, federal Office of Refugee Resettlement State Letters, and other applicable federal regulations related to public assistance programs.
- 2. The Virginia Refugee Resettlement Program Contract (ONS Program Contract) sets out the rules by which Virginia's non-profit provider community delivers services to refugees. The contract legally obligates the service provider to follow the guidance and directives set out in the contract. The basis of the guidance is the regulations set out in 45 CFR 400-402, federal Office of Refugee Resettlement State Letters, and other applicable federal regulations related to refugee services funded through federal Office of Refugee Resettlement.
- 3. The Refugee and Immigrant Health Program Manual sets out the rules by which the Virginia's local health department staff provide thorough initial health assessments to all new refugees and monitor the provision of follow-up health services as needed.